

MEMORANDUM FOR: [redacted] Executive Secretary

[redacted] and I have reviewed this "advance" copy on the COCOM List Review that will be coming officially into the system for DCI approval.

We see no problems and recommend that the DCI concur.

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Deputy Chief  
Technology Transfer Assessment Center

cc: DDI [redacted]

OK phoned to  
on 24 Sept.

Date 9-23-82

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AS POSSIBLE.**

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**MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT**  
**FROM: George P. Shultz**  
**SUBJECT: COCOM List Review**

On behalf of State, Defense, Commerce, Treasury, and the CIA, I would like to acquaint you with our plans for the COCOM List Review beginning in early October.

Approximately every three years, the 15 member nations of COCOM come together to revise and update the embargo lists by which strategic technology exports to Communist countries are controlled.

For this review, we have made a thorough interagency analysis of everything on the lists and have submitted more than 100 proposals to extend or amend them.

The heart of what we will be trying to accomplish in this negotiation is get our allies to expand the embargo in such defense priority areas as integrated circuits, robotics, computers, certain ceramic and composite material technologies, floating dry docks, various metallurgical processes, gas turbine engines, electronic-grade silicon, and space launch vehicles and spacecraft.

If we are successful, and we expect the bargaining to be complicated and difficult, these proposals will help to stem the flow of Western advanced technology that feeds the Soviet military buildup.

In addition to preparing sound, well-supported technical proposals, we are taking a number of steps to ensure that List Review issues are addressed at a high level, and with a sense of urgency, by our allies. Last week Under Secretary William Schneider met with all COCOM member Ambassadors. This will be followed by a series of DAS level briefing trips to major COCOM capitals. Finally, a team of Assistant Secretaries will make high-level demarches to our COCOM partners, while representing the USG at the opening of the List Review.

It is our intention to follow this up with a second High Level Meeting of COCOM early next year at the Under Secretary level.

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